

Pfc. Salmon, who served as a cavalry scout, joined the Army because he wanted to better himself and to make his son proud. By giving his life for the freedom of others, we are reminded of the great price at which our freedom is preserved.

We are all deeply indebted to the service and sacrifice of Private First Class Zachary Salmon, and our thoughts and prayers are extended to his family and friends as we celebrate his life and accomplishments.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JUNE WHEELER PEACH

HON. RODNEY ALEXANDER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 10, 2011

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and achievements of Mrs. June Wheeler Peach, who passed away at her home on January 31 at the age of 72.

Mrs. Peach was a renowned community activist and passionate humanitarian who dedicated her time to countless organizations and charities. For much of her adult life, Mrs. Peach was active in the operation and financing of nursing homes as well as devoting her energy to care for the elderly. For the past 34 years, she served on the Board of the Louisiana Nursing Home Association—working on almost every committee and in every role possible. At the time of her passing, she served on the Executive Committee and as Secretary of the LNHA, a position she held for the last 32 years.

In addition, Mrs. Peach was involved in other community outreach efforts including: the Governor's Commission on HIV/Aids, the Department of Health and Hospitals Advisory Committee on Medicaid, Alexandria Town Talk Advisory Board, Vo-Technical College, Salvation Army, Little Theatre's Sheltered Workshop, Food Bank of CenLa, Central Louisiana Coalition to Prevent Homelessness, Retired Senior Volunteer Program, Cabrini Foundation, Rapides Primary Health Care, Region 6 Health Care Consortium, Central Louisiana Health Care Ethics Coalition, Regional Special Olympics, Central Louisiana Community Foundation, YWCA, Alzheimer's Association and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Canterbury House.

Mrs. Peach was also heavily affiliated with Friendship House, a nonprofit day-care facility for adults who can no longer care for themselves, as well as an active member of her beloved place of worship, Horseshoe Drive United Methodist Church.

For her unyielding efforts to help others, Mrs. Peach earned countless professional and civic awards, and even had the mayor declare October 10, 2008 "June Peach Day."

Beyond her humanitarian and professional contributions, Mrs. Peach was a caring wife, mother and grandmother. She was preceded in death by her husband, John Hill Peach III; parents, Henry Paul and Myrtle Wurster Wheeler; brothers, Jack Glen Wheeler, Harvey March Wheeler and Henry Paul Wheeler; and sister, Alice Wheeler Newkirk. She leaves behind her sons, John Henry Peach and Tom Glen Peach and wife, Jennifer; daughters, Tammy Peach Lee and husband, John; and Cindy Peach Branham; brother, Johnny

Wurster Wheeler; sister, Ruby Wheeler Noe; granddaughters, Lainey Peach Branham, Tamera Nicole Branham and Abbey Peach.

To say that Mrs. Peach left her fingerprint on the world is an understatement. She was a friend to many, and deemed a gracious and compassionate person by all who had the good blessing to know her.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the late Mrs. June Wheeler Peach. Her altruistic nature and selfless dedication warrant this laudable recognition.

HALEY WHATLEY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS SELECTED AS PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS DISTINGUISHED FINALIST

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 10, 2011

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of our youth who demonstrate enormous capacity for service. In particular, I would like to commend the selflessness of Haley Whatley of North Richland Hills, Texas. Ms. Whatley has been selected as a Distinguished Finalist in the 16th annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards which recognizes top youth volunteers throughout the nation. She was awarded this distinction out of 29,000 other applicants.

Ms. Whatley was only 5 years old when she began a stuffed animal drive for pediatric patients at Cook Children's Medical Center. Her toy drive has distributed over 20,000 stuffed animals over the past 11 years and a charity Celebrity Waiter Dinner allowed her to raise \$5,300 for the hospital's Pastoral Care Department.

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards recognizes young people who are making a positive difference in their community, and inspire other young people to follow their example. Ms. Whatley has gone above and beyond these expectations and it is my honor to recognize her and represent her in Congress.

REMEMBERING BISHOP FRANK MUNSEY

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 10, 2011

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep sadness and the utmost respect that I take this time to remember a dear friend and one of Indiana's most distinguished citizens, Bishop Frank Munsey, founder of Family Christian Center in Munster, Indiana. On Saturday, February 5, 2011, Bishop Frank Munsey passed away at the age of 80. Known for his commitment to the church and his missionary work, Bishop Munsey will surely be missed by his family, friends, parishioners, and the many people whose lives he influenced.

Bishop Frank Munsey and his wife, Ruth, founded their church in 1953. Initially, the church was named Evangelistic Temple and was located in Hammond, Indiana. The

church's congregation continued to grow, and in 1971, Bishop Munsey moved the church to nearby Griffith, Indiana. It was at this time that the church was renamed Family Christian Center. Bishop Munsey's family has always been very active and dedicated to the Bishop's aspirations for the church, and in 1985, Pastor Steve Munsey, Frank's son, took over leadership of the Family Christian Center. In addition to his son, Steve; Bishop Munsey's daughter-in-law, Melody; grandson, Kent; and Kent's wife, Alli, serve as Pastors for the church. Due to its continued, tremendous growth, in 1999, the church moved to its current location in Munster. Today, because of Bishop Frank Munsey's commitment, loyalty, and spiritual guidance, as well as the continued leadership and dedication of his son, Pastor Steve Munsey, and family, the Family Christian Center has an astounding following of more than 30,000 parishioners.

In addition to founding and building the Family Christian Center, Bishop Munsey's passion for missionary work was a significant part of his life. In 1985, he and Ruth became missionaries in Latin America. After seven years of traveling missionary work, they established a Christian school in Bulgaria. In 1992, the American English Academy opened in the city of Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria. Today, there are 175 students from 31 countries who attend this school.

Bishop Frank Munsey is survived by his wife, four children, nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He has been called, "an amazing man of God" and "a gentleman . . . who walked the walk" by parishioners. Bishop Munsey will be remembered for his truly outstanding contributions to his community and throughout the world.

Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring Bishop Frank Munsey for his devotion to the numerous people whose lives he touched. His unselfish and lifelong dedication to the church, his family, friends, parishioners, and those he served through his missionary work is worthy of the highest commendation. His legacy will serve as an inspiration to all in the spiritual community, and he will remain an inspiration to the people of Northwest Indiana and beyond.

A TRIBUTE TO RETIREMENT HOUSING FOUNDATION ON THE OCCASION OF THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF PROVIDING QUALITY AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO THE COUNTRY'S ELDERLY, LOW INCOME FAMILIES, AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 10, 2011

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Retirement Housing Foundation—also known as RHF—on the occasion of the organization's 50th anniversary of providing quality and affordable housing and services to more than 17,000 seniors, low-income families and people with disabilities.

With a strong mission to provide dignified, affordable housing and services for the elderly, RHF is one of the nation's largest non-profit